Rocks

OCTOBER 4 - A much needed rain came last week. So grateful for it.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Martin, of near Evergreen, attended the funeral of her cousin, Elijah Gary of Gold Hill, on Thursday afternoon.

The Ladies Bible Sunday School Class had their class meeting on Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. B. B. Harris, Sr. Officers were named for the class.

Delicious refreshments were served.

A farewell party was given Gary Wagner on Tuesday night. He was transferred to Rustburg High School.

Mr. and Mrs. Julian Glover, of Crewe, were visiting Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Richardson on Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Betty Lonni returned to Connecticut on Wednesday after visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Moore for a few days.

Melinda McIntosh spent Thursday night with Cindy and Debbie Roach.

Mrs. Carrie Richardson entered Lynchburg General Hospital Monday for surgery. A speedy recovery is wished her.

Daphney Seay, of Appomattox, was visiting Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Roach on Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Sandra McIntosh had a supper for her Sunday School Class on Tuesday night.

The Rocks Quartet furnished a Program of Gospel Music for the 50th anniversary of Glenn Memorial Church on Sunday afternoon.

Rev. W. H. Elder and daughter, JoAnne, attended the Homecoming at Elon Church on Sunday.

Mrs. W. H. Elder, Patricia Elder and Cassie Baldwin attended the 200th anniversary of Red Oak Church on Sunday.

Mrs. Sandra McIntosh was at Waynesboro Friday visiting her sister, Dora Jean Williams and family.

Ernest Farrar will enter Lynchburg General Hospital Monday.

A speedy recovery is wished him.

The WMU Council meeting met with Mrs. Helen Inge on Tuesday night.

WMU Group I meeting at Central Church on Wed., Oct. 6 at 10:30 a.m.

Members are urged to be present.

Guest speaker from Panama, Mrs. Hearst.

Sympathy is extended the Mann family of Pamplin.

Mrs. Ira Roach spent last week with her daughter in Richmond.

Dr. J. J. Bowman was guest speaker at Rocks Sunday as Interim Pastor. He brought a fine message for the morning service. C. V. Wilburn has charge of the service on Sunday night. He brought a fine message. The youth had charge of the special music.

Wedding bells were ringing here on Friday. Rev. W. H. Elder performed the wedding ceremony for Susan Hamlin and Steve Goin on Friday afternoon. Congratulations to this fine couple.

October is Sunday School Rally month. it got off to a good start Sunday. You can't stay at home and see the attendance climb. Let's join in and keep it going upward. It takes every member to do it.

Lee Stocks, chaplain at Va. Baptist Hospital will be guest speaker at Rocks Church on Oct. 10, at 11 a.m.

Congratulations to Ruby Almond, who won the flower from Superior Trees Nursery Birthday Drawing Monday.

Miss Cassie Baldwin is all smiles, she has a new Ford.

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Father Darkleaf

by Calvin Robinson

Five score and eleven years after Peace at Appomattox, there abides a residue of unrest, disappointment and uncertainty all around us. ACHS lost a close football game to Brookville, and Redskin fans are unhappy, Alabama lost one, and Slippery Rock slipped. Univ. of Va., and William and Mary and VMI lost over the week end, but Univ. of Richmond and VPI carried off winning honors. So it goes, "Hope springs eternal in the human breast" and it is a new ball game next time out. There were many postponements due to rain. However, we will not give up. After all my lawnmowing had to b e postponed twice and the grass is growing on Martha Street.

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Father Darkleaf is aglow with pride. A friend brought me a copy of the editorial page of **The Chicago Tribune**, of Sept. 23 and it had a feature article by reporter Frank Starr on Calvin Robinson, of Appomattox. Bro. Starr dropped by to see me while on a tour of Dixie and we talked about Appomattox history and Joe Sweeney's invention of the five-string banjo. Plus the Growing Town of modern Appomattox. Might add that the **Tribune** is one of the largest and greatest American newspapers. It would be nice to have Joe Sweeney's cabin restored and a Banjo Museum here at Appomattox.

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Upcoming annual Railroad Day is getting lots of attention and many committees are at work to make it another succesful one. Good luck.

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Have just read a new book, "Peter Francisco - Virginia Giant" by Janet Shaffer. The author lives in Lynchburg. It is well written and merits wide attention.

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Ah yes, be it noted that Gen. Robt. E. Lee died in Lexington on October 12, 1870.

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My friend and fellow sports fan, Robert I. Scott, Jr. came by for a visit and loaned me a fascinating book, "Speakers Treasury of Sports Stories" by Herman Masin. The book had come from the collection of Walter Wheley, outstanding coach at Fredricksburg, and friend of Scott. The book is loaded with famous stories told by famous coaches. Successful coaches have to make many after-banquet speeches and usually adorn them with accounts of odd and humorous incidents in games. Football, boxing, baseball, golf...if you are interested in sports, this is the book for you. Wish space would permit me to pass on some of these stories. Incidently for one-sided games how about 1916 when Georgia Tech defeated Cumberland 220 - 0.

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Cooler weather is not just on the way, it is here. My porch thermometer Monday morning was on thirty-nine. Fireplace weather it is, but I do not have a fireplace, so turned on the oil burner. And soon we will be talking about Thanksgiving turkey, and making up Christmas lists. Have already seen a few toy advertisements.

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The field is open for someone to write a book about How, When and Why of nicknames for football teams. I jotted down a few names: Rice Owls, Georgia Bulldogs, Pitt Panthers, Maryland Terrapins, VPI Hoakies, Deleware Blue Hens, Colorado Jack Rabbits, Richmond Spiders, N. C. State Wolfpack, Carolina Tar Heels, Texas Longhorns, Clemson and Princeton Tigers, Ohio Buckeyes, Duke Blue Devils, etc. And The Appomattox Raiders.

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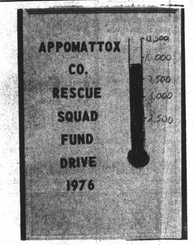
Help The Rescue Squad with a donation. Thanks for reading and seeya next week.



The marker indicating contributions to the 1976-77 Fund Drive for the Appomattox County Rescue Squad had moved up to $9,000.00 as of Monday of this week. The annual Fund Drive began October 1, 1976 with a goal of $12,500.00 and will continue through the month of October. If you have not, and would like to make a contribution to the local rescue squad please give your donation to any member of this volunteer organization or mail to Appomattox County Rescue Squad - Fund Drive, P. O. Box 57, Appomattox, Va. 24522.

Local Squad Responds To 91 Calls In September

During the month of September of 1976, volunteer members of the Appomattox County Rescue Squad responded to a total of 51 emergency calls. In answer to these calls, the newly installed heart monitoring equipment was used eight times and oxygen was administered to seven persons.

Members spent 223¾ manhours in responding to calls and traveled a total of 2248 miles. In addition, they were on stand-by at 6 football games where three injuries occured.

A breakdown of the calls is as follows: transports at doctor request, 8; wrecks 2 - with three injuries; heart attacks, 4; overdose, 1; falls, 6; illness, 5; false calls, 2; other accidents, 4; dead on arrival, 3; gun shot wound, 2; broken bones, 2; cuts, 1; strokes, 1; nose bleed, 1; mental, 1; maternity, 4; stab wound, 1; bee sting, 1; breathing difficulty, 1; and chest pains, 1.

Members have been quite busy with the fund drive in addition to responding to emergency calls. If you have not made a contribution and would like to do so, it is not too late...give to any member of the Appomattox County Rescue Squad or mail your donation to Appomattox County Rescue Squad - Fund Drive, P. O. Box 57, Appomattox, Va. 24522.

GIVE TODAY FOR A HEALTHY TOMORROW.

Supervisors Concerned With County Solid Waste Program

The Appomattox County Board of Supervisors is vitally concerned with the success of the Appomattox County solid waste program and is dedicated to insuring that it is a successful operation.

In this regard the supervisors feel that those property owners who have permitted them to station containers upon their property are extending a vital courtesy to the citizens in their community and the Board of Supervisors is determined to insure that this courtesy is not abused.

It has come to the attention of the Board that certain sites have been habitually abused thereby creating a burden not only upon County employees but upon the citizens of Appomattox County.

Let everyone be advised that the containers are supplied and serviced by the County of Appomattox for the expressed purpose of receiving household garbage from the rural Appomattox County residents.

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Trophies to be awarded to Railroad Festival entries are shown in photo above and are now on display at American Federal Savings and Loan Association in Triangle Plaza Shopping Center. First place Float Trophy was donated by Best Furniture Company; second place Float Trophy was donated by Farmers National Bank; Third place trophy was donated by Fidelity American Bank; Class A Band Trophy was donated by Appomattox Jaycees; Class B Band Trophy was donated by American Federal Savings — Loan Association; Class C Band trophy was donated by Appomattox Lions Club; trophy for Best Marching Unit other than a band was donated by Moses Motor Company; Best Equestrian Entry trophy was also donated by Moses Motor Company; and the Best Antique Car and Costumed Driver trophy was donated by Fidelity American Bank.

Grand Marshall for the Festival Parade will be Ray Pillow.

Judges for parade entries are Mrs. Carolyn Lusardi of Brookneal, Freddy Keesee of Concord, and Vernon Womack of Farmville.

R. G. Rowland, news director of WMNA Radio Station in Gretna for six years, will be Master of Ceremonies for the parade, better known to railroad buffs as "Head Conductor". Rowland graduated with an Associate of Arts Degree from Bluefield College and graduated with a B.A. degree from Lynchburg with a major in Religion. He is presently working toward his M.A. in psychology. He is a tobacco and grain farmer in Pittsylvania County and was pastor of Sandy Level Baptist Church for over eight years and is now an evangelist traveling throughout Southeastern United States. He is married and has one son.

School Board Hears Report On Special - Vocational Education

At the regular monthly meeting of the Appomattox County School Board on Thursday afternoon, October 7th members of the School Board heard reports on Special Education and on Vocational Education in the county schools.

Mrs. Jean Hesson, General Supervisor, reviewed with the Board legislation regarding special education, program development in Appomattox County and funding assistance received.

She reviewed legislation enacted in 1972 which requires a program of special education for all handicapped children, ages 2 - 21, residing within the Commonwealth and also reviewed the requirement included in the Standards of Quality which states that each school division shall identify exceptional children, including the gifted, by use of diagnostic procedures and shall develop a plan acceptable to the Board of Education to provide appropriate educational opportunities for them. Such opportunities may be provided through local programs, regional cooperative programs, or tuition assistance for handicapped children where no public school program is avilable.

Development of programs in Appomattox County began in 1972 and an additional class has been initiated each year through 1976. These clases have been initiated as follows: in 1972 - Educable Mentally Retarded (EMR) class at Appomattox Primary School; in 1973 - EMR class at Appomattox Elementary School; in 1974 - EMR class at Appomattox Middle School and Trainable Mentally Retarded (TMR) class at Appomattox Primary School in 1975 - EMR class at Appomattox County High School and a TMR class at Appomattox County High School; and in 1976 - Hearing

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Town Residents Could Get Increase In Sewage Rates

A three-step plan for a new sewage disposal system in the Town of Appomattox could bring about a rate increase of up to $11.00 per month for each customer.

Step I of the plan as approved by the State Water Control Board is the planning stage, Step II is the construction design & Step III is the actual construction. Step I is complete; Step II has been approved by the State Water Control Board; and Step III will not be authorized until both of the first two steps are complete.

The entire project when complete, possibly in 1978, could bring about this increase in the rate per customer as the number of customers in the Town of Appomattox are limited. Seventy-five percent of the entire project is funded by the Environmental Protection Agency.

The Town of Appomattox, according to William S. Slagle, former Town Manager, has been looking toward funding from other sources that would perhaps offset the remaining 25% cost to be paid by the town. If funding is available in this amount, then there would be no additional cost to customers. It is hoped that the Town Council will continue to look toward other means of funding this project.

Recent upward trends in population and industrial development in the Appomattox Area have demonstrated the need for a new sewage disposal system in the town and its environs. The problems associated with the present public and private systems and the consideration of growth potentialities and actualities led the Town Council of Appomattox to authorize the preparation of this Facilities Plan.

Available data indicates steady population growth within the Town from 704 in 1930 to 1,400 in 1970. Projections forecast a population rise, in the area considered for sewerage service, from 2, 134 in 1976 to 4, 106 in 2010. Land use, as set forth in the Comprehensive Plan prepared by the Commonwealth of Virginia Division of Planning (1966), trends toward an increase in medium to high density residential use and major increases in light industry usage.

Many problems are obvious in the present system. Metered flow into the trickling filter plant system indicates a serious overloading of most, if not all, its components; and excessive deterioration is common in the concrete sewer lines. All the entering flow in this system is considered to be standard domestic sewage which requires an 85 percent degree of treatment. Comparisons of water usage to wastewater return indicates, also, a high rate of infiltration/inflow, even in excessively dry weather; and storm periods create overflow conditions regularly at the trickling filter plant.

The sewage disposal facility proposed by the Engineers has a collection and treatment capacity of 500,000 gallons per day which is feasible in terms of present needs and projected

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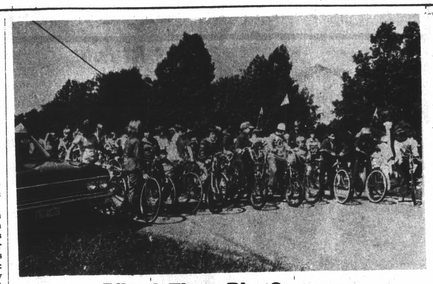

Bike-A-Thon Big Success

Seventy-seven riders began their 10-mile ride at 2 p.m. Sunday afternoon to make money for the Appomattox County Unit, American cancer Society. The cyclists, having gone out and gotten pledges - so much money donated for each mile they "made it" - raised approximately $3000.00 this year.

Last year 45 riders raised approximately $2000.00 in the Bike-A-Thon.

The Bike-A-Thon this year was sponsoed as a project of the Appomattox County 4-H clubs which really played a big part.

ACHS BOOSTER CLUB TO MEET OCT. 20

The Appomattox County High School Booster Club will hold its regular meeting Wednesday, October 20, 1976 at 8:00 P.M. in the ACHS cafeteria.

All members are urged to attend. The executive committee will meet at 7:30 p.m. on the same date in the ACHS cafeteria.

Football Contest Winners Announced

Winners in the weekly football contest sponsored by area businesses have been announced by the **TIMES-VIRGINIAN** for last week's contest.

In the contest, eleven correct predictions were the most anyone got out of the possible 15 games. With 11 correct predictions, Amy E. Nash of Route 2 and E. P. Jordon of P. O. Box 488 tied in the contest. Going to the baker for the winner, Amy E. Nash had only a 7 point difference in the Raider-Brookville game, thus giving her first place in the contest. E. P. Jordon, with a 21 point difference in the Raider-Brookville game, is winner of second place. Mrs. Nash will receive a check in the amount of $10.00 for first place in the contest from the **TIMES-VIRGINIAN** and E. P. Jordon will receive a check for $5.00 from the **TIMES-VIRGINIAN** for second place prize.

Be sure to enter the contest this week and get your entry into this newspaper...you may be a winner next week!

OFFICIAL VOTING INFORMATION

The office of the General Registrar will be open Saturday, October 23, 1976 and on Saturday, October 30, 1976 from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. for the purpose of absentee voting in person. These hours are in addition to the regular hours of 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays of each week.

A qualified registrant who expects to be out of the Town on election day may vote absentee in person, acording to Mrs. Emma Lemon, General Registrar for Appomattox County.

REGISTERED VOTERS IN THE ROCKS PRECINCT ARE REMINDED THAT THEY WILL GO TO THE OLD EVERGREEN SCHOOL BUILDING TO CAST THEIR VOTE ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 1976.

Supervisors To Seek U.S. Funds For Jail

The Appomattox County Board of Supervisors meeting Friday authorized board chairman, Dr. S. R. Lawson, to sign a contract with Carroll M. Gay, a Lynchburg architect, that is required for the county to seek federal funds for construction of a new $400,000 jail.

The county is applying for funding under a public works program administered by the Economic Development Administration.

In addition to the architectural contract, the application requires that a full set of schematic drawings must be submitted. With the possibility of federal funding for the project, the supervisors recently revived plans for a 23-cell jail drawn in 1968.

Since receiving the plans, the supervisors have met with Gay, Robert P. Mason and other officials from the State Department of Corrrections to discuss

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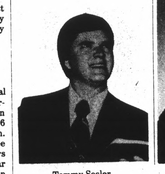
Join Us For Festivities Down At The Depot Saturday and Sunday

With only a few days away, everyone is looking anxiously to the most awaited, annual event in Appomattox...the Fourth Annual Historic Appomattox Railroad Festival to be held this weekend Oct. 16th and 17th.

The festival kicks off Saturday morning at 10:00 a.m. with a parade. There will be approximately 70 units including five bands, marching units, drill teams, floats, antique cars, equestrian entries, special guests and many other special attractions. Grand Marshall of this year's parade will be Ray Pillow, Grand Ole Opry star of Nashville, Tenn. R. G. Roland of WMNA Radio will serve as master of ceremonies or better known to the "railroad buffs" as Mary Alma Hudson.

Naturally the "riders" get the credit for the fund raising but recognition should be given to members of the Board of Directors of the Appomattox County Unit, American Cancer Society for their help in organizing the Bike-A-Thon. Everyone did a splendid job and the 5th Annual Bike-A-Thon was really a big success.



Tommy Sesler
EVANGELIST

Bob Ward
MUSIC EVANGELIST

Revival Planned At Liberty October 17-24

The Tommy Sesler Revival Crusade will be October 17 - 14 at the Liberty Baptist Church in Appomattox, 7:30 P.M. nightly. Evangelist Sesler, from Nashville, Tennessee, is a young man in his early twenties and one of the youngerst evangelists in Amerira to hold city and area-wide televised crusades.

Bob Ward is Minister of Music at Park Avenue Baptist Church in Nashville. He will be leading the combined adult and youth revival choir during the Crusade as well as singing each night.

The public is invited to attend.